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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
KNOPLIOCH ET AL

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SEGMENTATION FOR THE
ESTIMATION OF THREE-
DIMENSIONAL VOLUMES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attn: BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231
Sir:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, before the first line of the text insert: This is a continuation application
of International Application No. PCT/FR98/02599 filed December 2, 1998. --

REMARKS

The Utility Application Transmittal Letter accompanying the entry into the US national stage request that the filing be considered in accordance with 35 USC 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b) and 35 USC 371. The application is amended to recite the continuation status of the application and thereby the date accorded to the application for 35 USC 102(e) is the International Filing Date.

A certified copy of the priority French application No. 97 15639 filed December 10, 1997 is enclosed or will be submitted promptly.

Respectfully submitted,



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